

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

1. - 20. (Canceled)
21. (New) A clock comprising:
  - a display configured to display a passage of time;
  - a photosensitive cell configured to sense changes in an amount of light in a room; and
  - a controller configured to receive information from the photosensitive cell, wherein the controller provides an auditory cue upon a change in the amount of light.
22. (New) The clock of Claim 21, further comprising a speaker configured to provide the auditory cue.
23. (New) The clock of Claim 21, further comprising a memory configured to send and receive information from the controller.
24. (New) The clock of Claim 23, wherein the memory is programmable.
25. (New) The clock of Claim 24, wherein the memory is configured to receive information from the controller regarding conditions of light intensity.
26. (New) The clock of Claim 21, further comprising a switch configured to activate an alarm.
27. (New) The clock of Claim 26, further comprising a shutoff configured to deactivate the alarm.
28. (New) The clock of Claim 21, further comprising a transceiver configured to send a signal, wherein the signal contains a message.

29. (New) The clock of Claim 28, wherein the transceiver is configured to send the signal by a telecommunication line.

30. (New) The clock of Claim 21, wherein the controller further provides a visual cue upon a change in the amount of light in a room.

31. (New) An apparatus configured to sense changes in light intensity comprising:  
a photosensitive cell configured to sense changes in an amount of light in a room; and  
a controller configured to receive information from the photosensitive cell, wherein the controller provides an auditory or visual cue upon a change in the amount of light.

32. (New) The apparatus of Claim 31, further comprising a speaker configured to provide the auditory cue.

33. (New) The apparatus of Claim 31, further comprising a memory configured to send and receive information from the controller.

34. (New) The apparatus of Claim 33, wherein the memory is programmable.

35. (New) The apparatus of Claim 34, wherein the memory is configured to receive information from the controller regarding conditions of light intensity.

36. (New) The apparatus of Claim 31, further comprising a transceiver configured to send a signal, wherein the signal contains a message.

37. (New) The apparatus of Claim 36, wherein the transceiver is configured to send the signal by a telecommunication line.

38. (New) An alarm clock comprising:  
a display configured to display a passage of time;  
a photosensitive cell configured to sense changes in an amount of light  
in a room;  
a controller configured to receive information from the photosensitive  
cell, wherein the controller provides an auditory cue or visual cue upon a change in  
the amount of light.  
a speaker and or light configured to provide the auditory or visual cue;  
a programmable memory configured to send and receive information  
from the controller;  
a switch configured to activate an alarm; and  
a shutoff configured to deactivate the alarm.

39. (New) The clock of Claim 38, further comprising a transceiver  
configured to send a signal, wherein the signal contains a message.

40. (New) The clock of Claim 39, wherein the transceiver is configured to  
send the signal by a telecommunication line.